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SPACE KNIGHT



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MARVEL

Once Eugene “Flash” Thompson got his chance to be a hero, he refused to give it up. When he lost both legs serving his country, Flash formed a symbiotic bond with a body-morphing alien parasite that enabled him to continue serving others. Later, as one of the Guardians of the Galaxy, his Klyntar symbiote was purified on its home planet and Flash was drafted to serve as an Agent of the Cosmos, answering prayers for help from across the universe. Now, Flash is swashbuckling his way across the universe as

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Working together, a Klyntar symbiote and its host can be heroes — but if one of them is unbalanced, both can sink into a downward spiral. As soon as Venom started showing new signs of instability, Tarna, Flash’s Agent of the Cosmos mentor, returned to apprehend the Klyntar. But Flash and Venom’s friends wouldn’t let their teammate be imprisoned (or worse), and Venom escaped. Enraged and hopeless, the symbiote attacked planets he’d helped as an Agent, eventually drawing Flash to the home planet of his first host, and the site of his first massacre. If Venom’s failed as a hero, he wants to convince Flash that they can be villains together.

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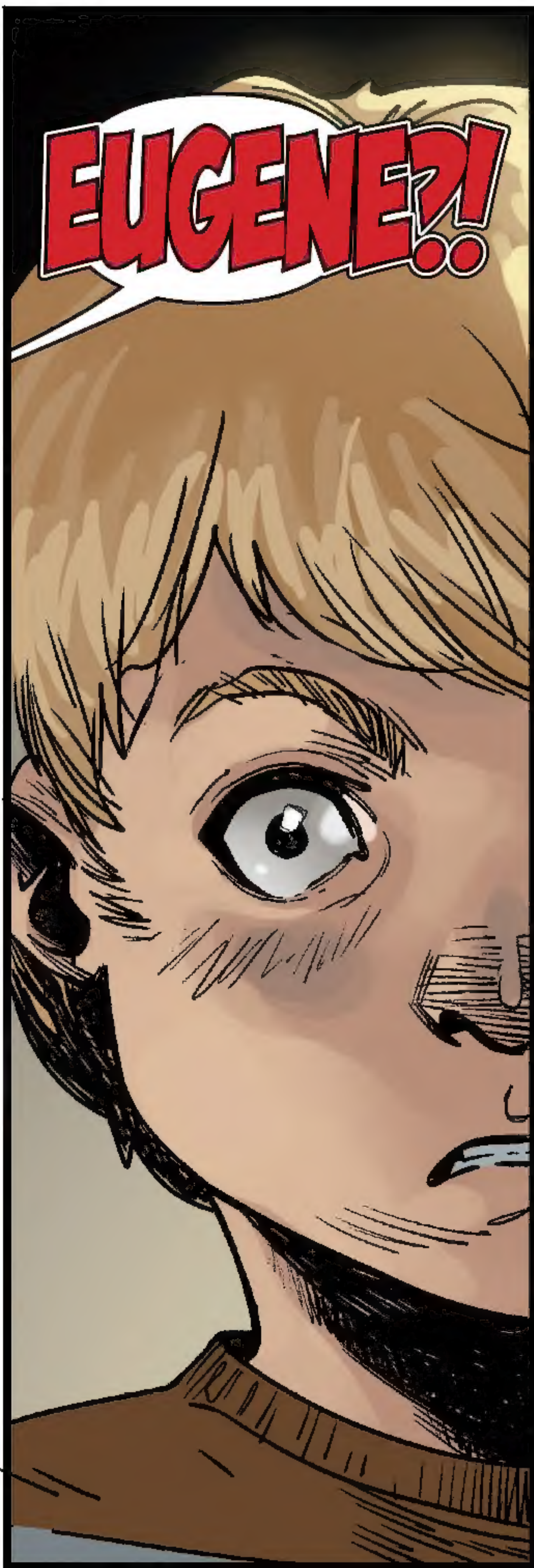
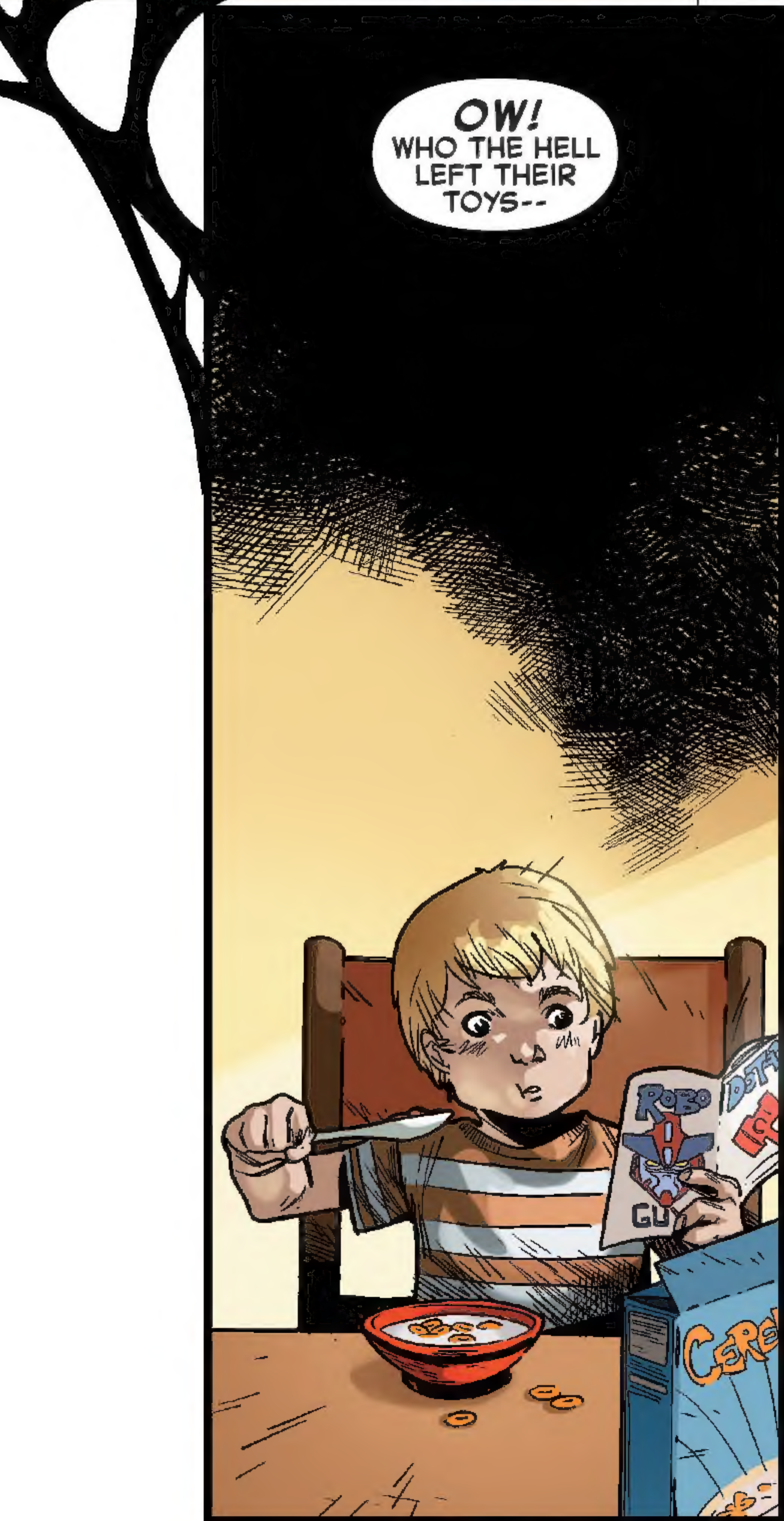
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VENOM...
WHERE ARE
YOU TAKING
ME?

I'M TAKING
YOU TO WHERE
YOU BELONG.



D-D-DADDY,
I'M...I'M...

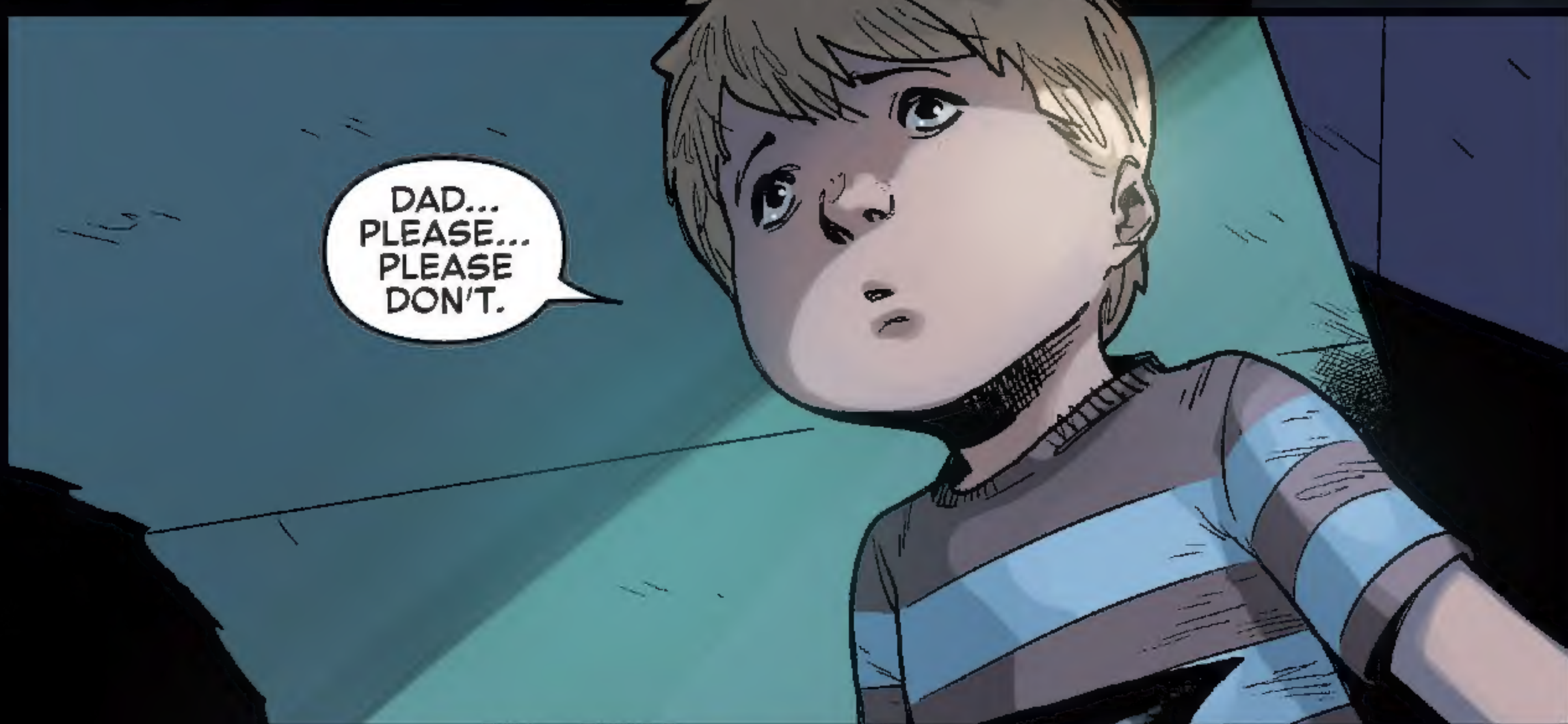


I'M
SORRY.



NOT SO FAST NOW, EH, FLASH?!

KRAKK!



DAD... PLEASE... PLEASE DON'T.

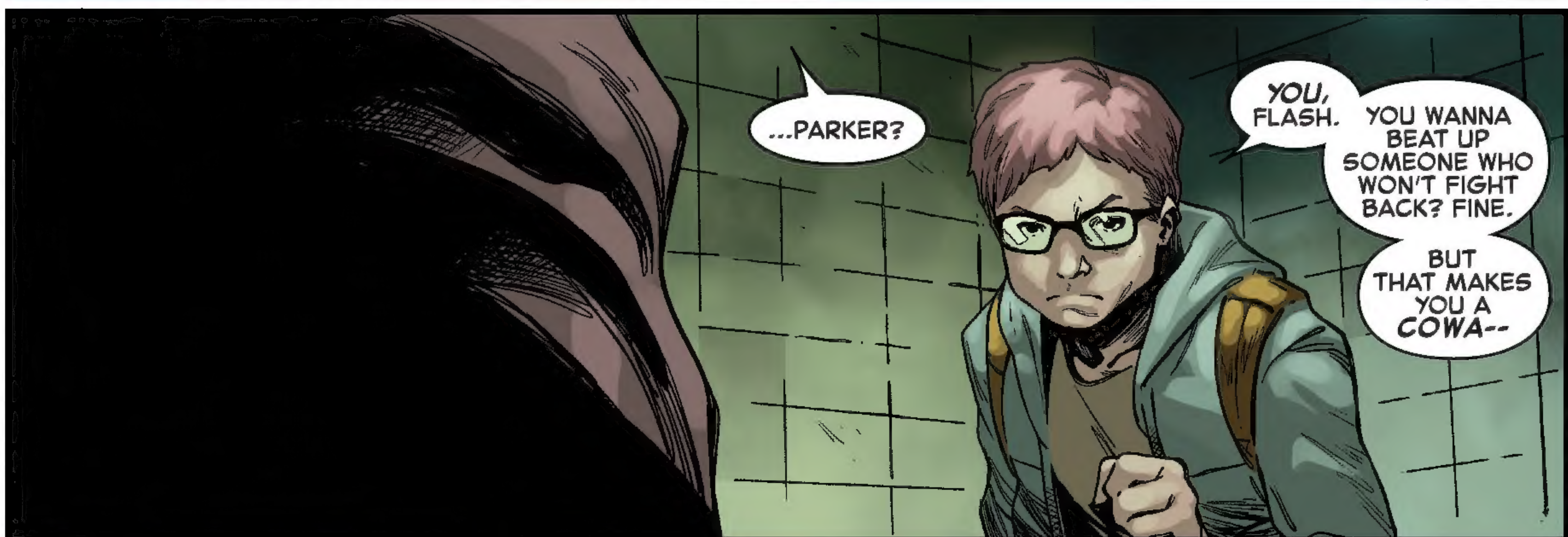


I'M NOT GONNA HURT YOU.



I'M JUST GONNA KNOCK SOME SENSE INTO YOU, BOY.

"NO. DON'T. DON'T, YOU COWARD."





STOP!

STOP?



OF COURSE,
YOU CAN STOP
WHENEVER YOU
WANT...



...ISN'T THAT
RIGHT?

BUT YOU'RE
STILL THIRSTY,
AREN'T YOU?

GO ON,
FLASH.

HAVE A
DRINK.



NO. I'M
DONE
LISTENING
TO YOU.

YOU
HEAR
ME?



I'M
DONE!

OKAY.
DEEP BREATH.
YOU'RE OKAY.

YOU'RE
OKAY.

JUST HAVE
TO GET OUT
OF HERE.

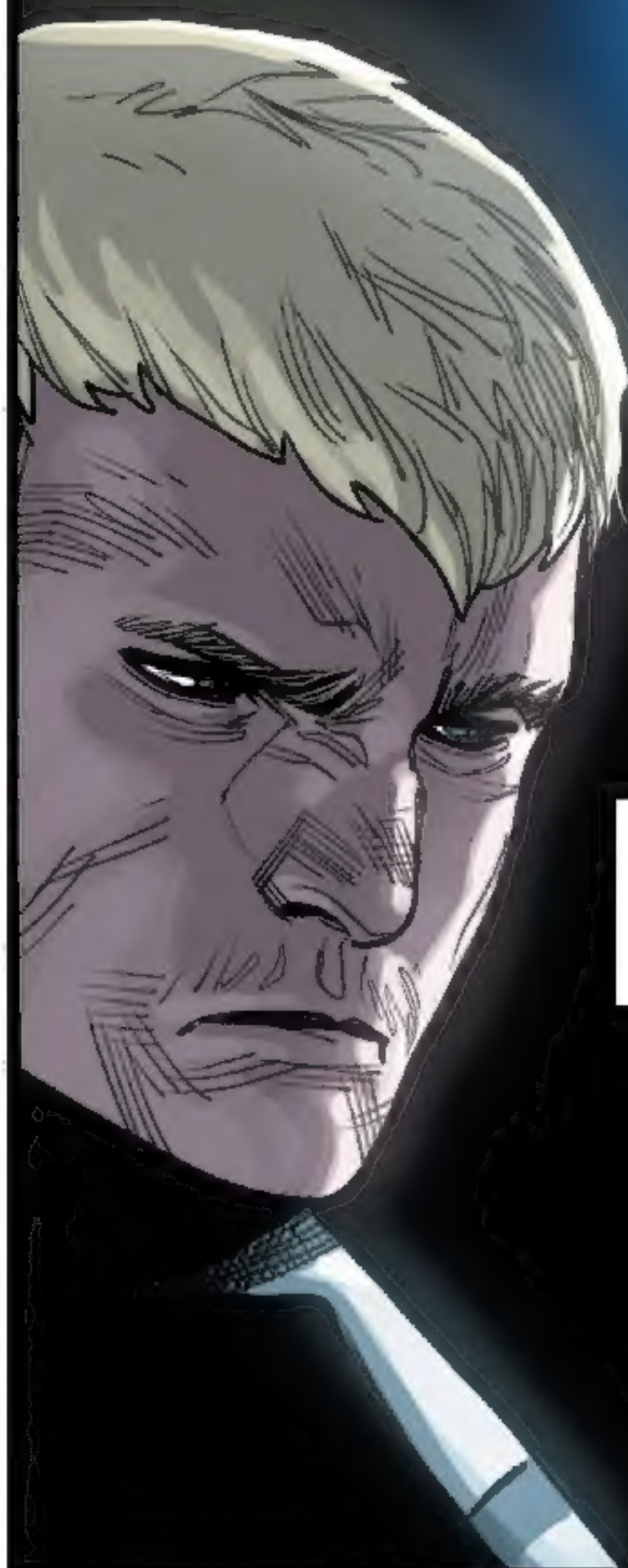
OUT
OF *HIM*.



THERE.

LIGHT AT THE
END OF THE
TUNNEL?

OR AN
ONCOMING
TRAIN?



STAY
POSITIVE.

STAY
FOCUSED.

AS BAD
AS IT IS IN
HERE...



...IT CAN'T BE
WORSE OUT
THERE.

GEGHHRRRAHHH!

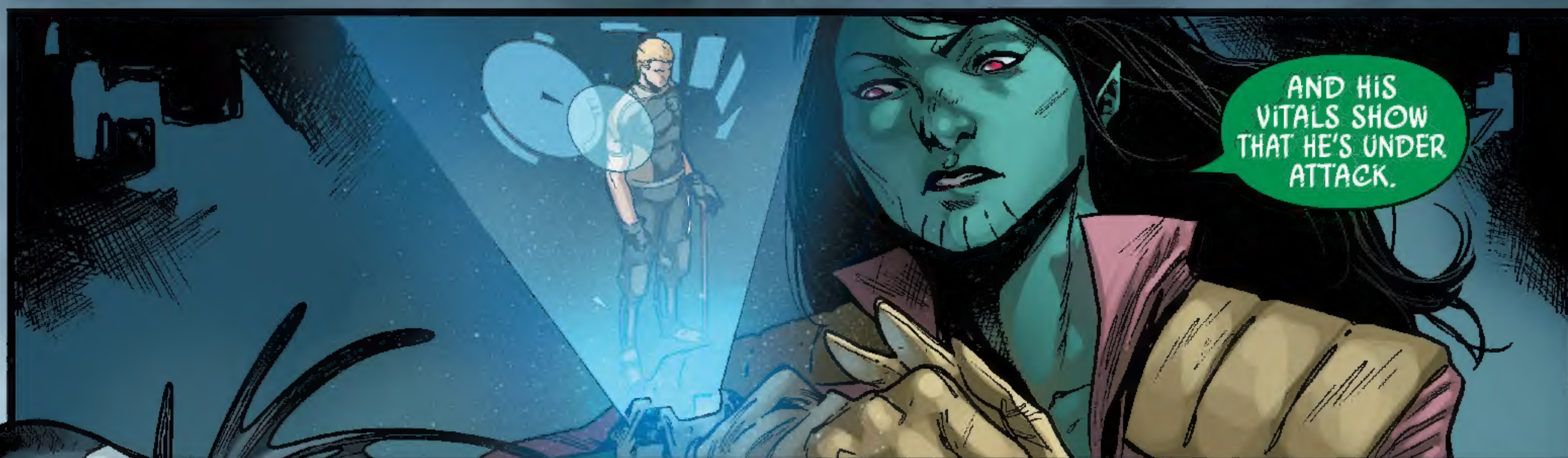
AHH!
UNHAND
ME, FOUL
BEAST!

I DON'T
THINK HE'S MUCH
OF A LISTENER
RIGHT NOW,
IQA.

IS FLASH
EVEN IN
THERE?



YES. FLASH IS INSIDE VENOM. TRAPPED.



AND HIS VITALS SHOW THAT HE'S UNDER ATTACK.



HOW MUCH TIME DOES HE HAVE?



NOT MUCH.

WHAT DO WE DO?

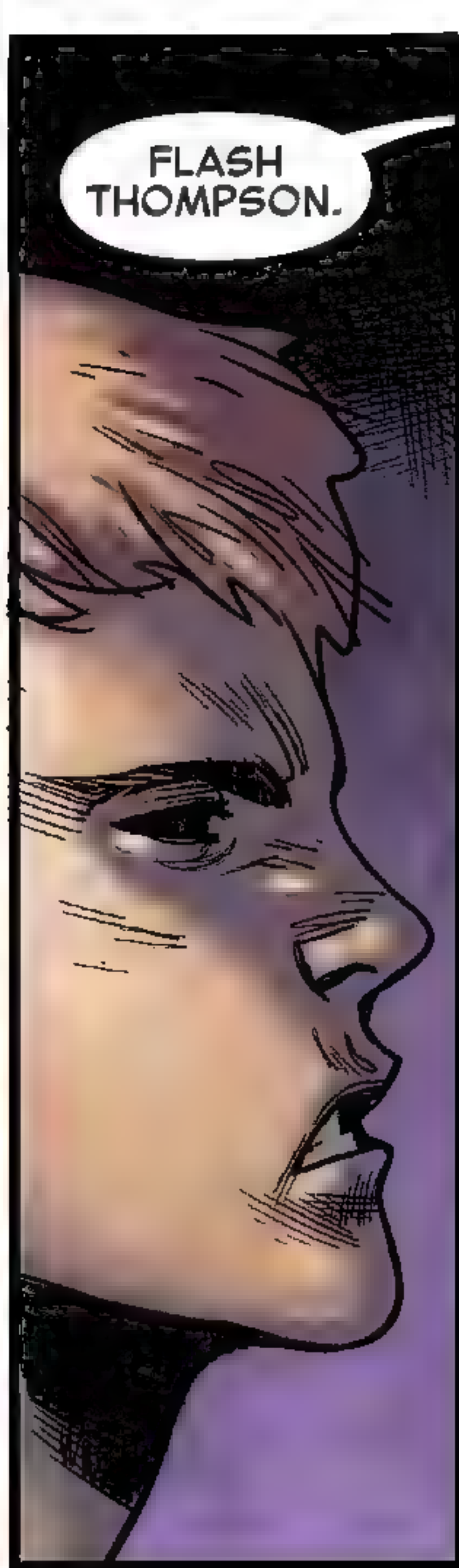
STICK TO THE PLAN.

AND HOPE WE SURVIVE.

AND FLASH?



"FLASH IS ON HIS OWN."



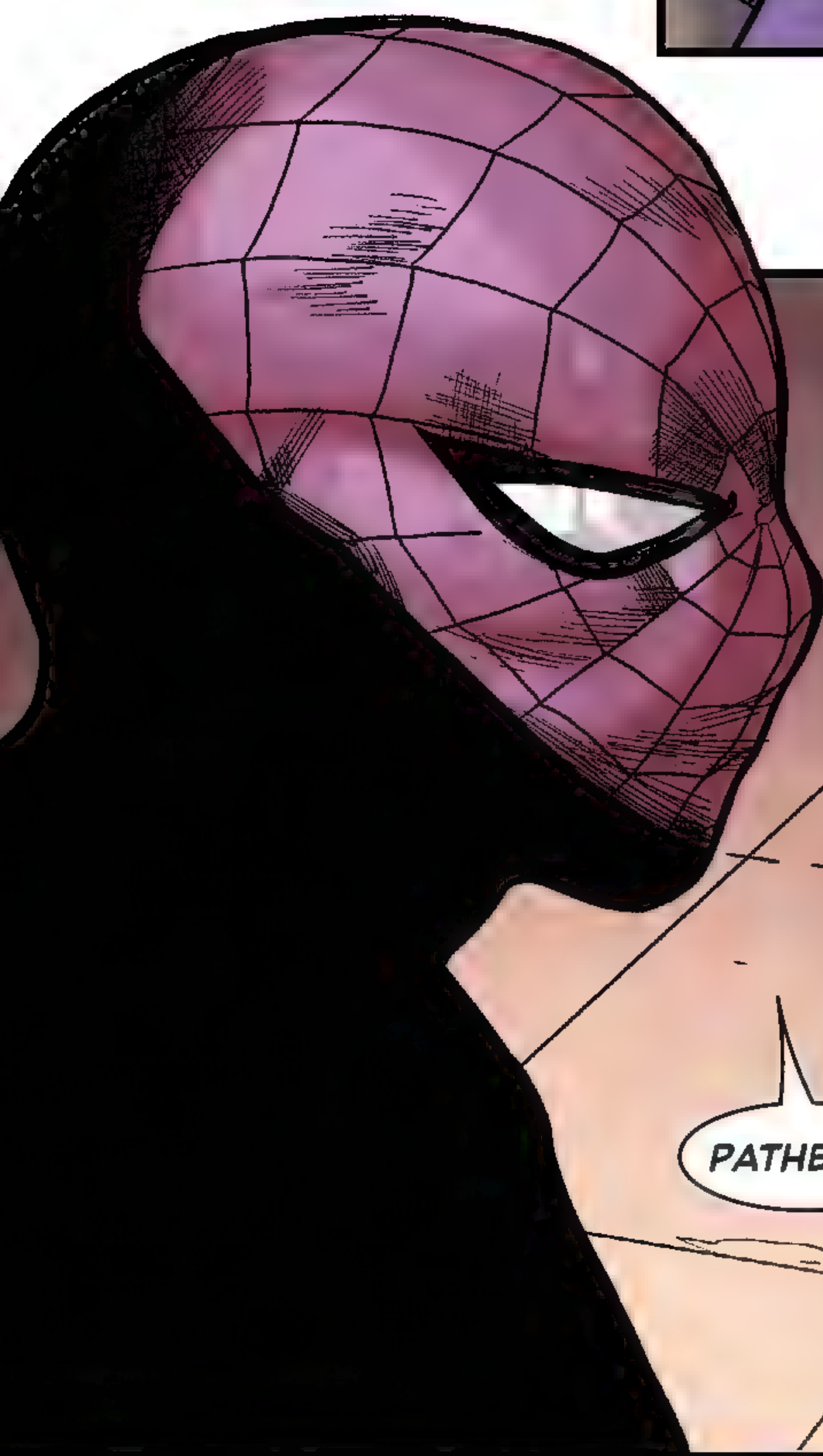
FLASH THOMPSON.



PRESIDENT OF MY FAN CLUB?



YOU REALLY THOUGHT YOU COULD BE ME?



THAT'S WHAT YOU THOUGHT YOU WERE DOING IN THAT GETUP?

PATHETIC.



YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN PATHETIC.

NO, SPIDEY, I...I DON'T WANT TO FIGHT YOU, THIS ISN'T REAL--



NOT
REAL?
THEN YOU
WON'T FEEL
THIS.

AAAAH!



DON'T.
MAKE.
ME--



AAGH!
THERE'S
THE VENOM
I KNOW!

WHAM!



FLASH,
YOU HAVE TO
FIGHT THIS--
AAGH!

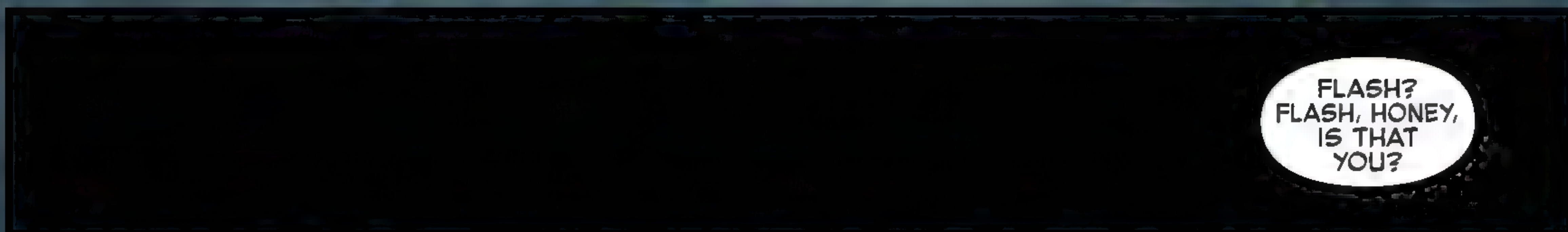
BAM!



GO ON.
FINISH WHAT
YOU STARTED,
COWARD.



BOOOOM!





FLASH, I'M
SCARED.

IT'S SO
DARK.

NO. NO,
NOT YOU,
TOO...

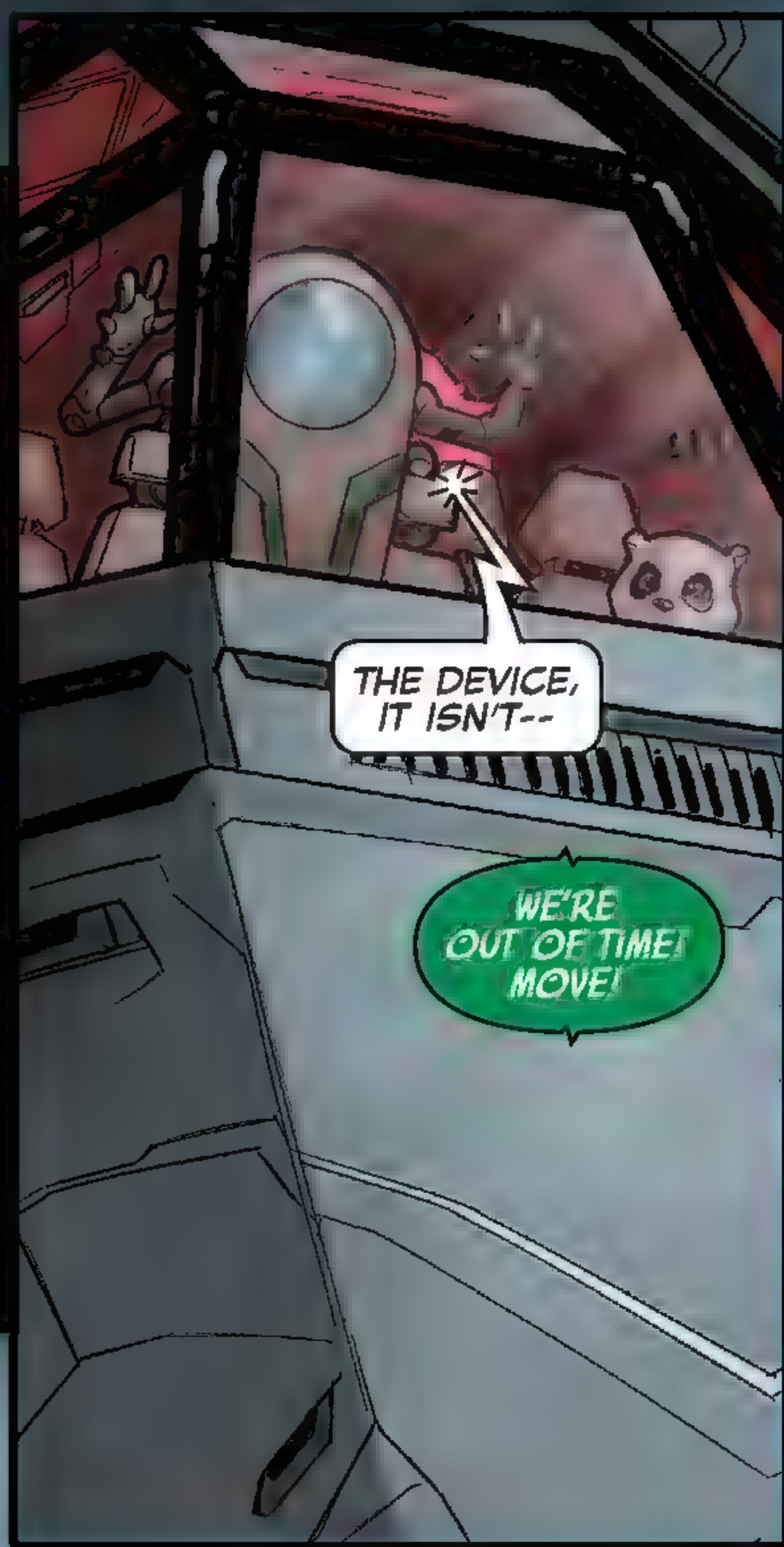
...MOM.

YOU SAID
THE MONSTERS
COULDN'T HURT
ME ANYMORE,
FLASH.

AAGGHH!

BUT
YOU'RE A
MONSTER!

AND YOU
ALWAYS HAVE
BEEN.







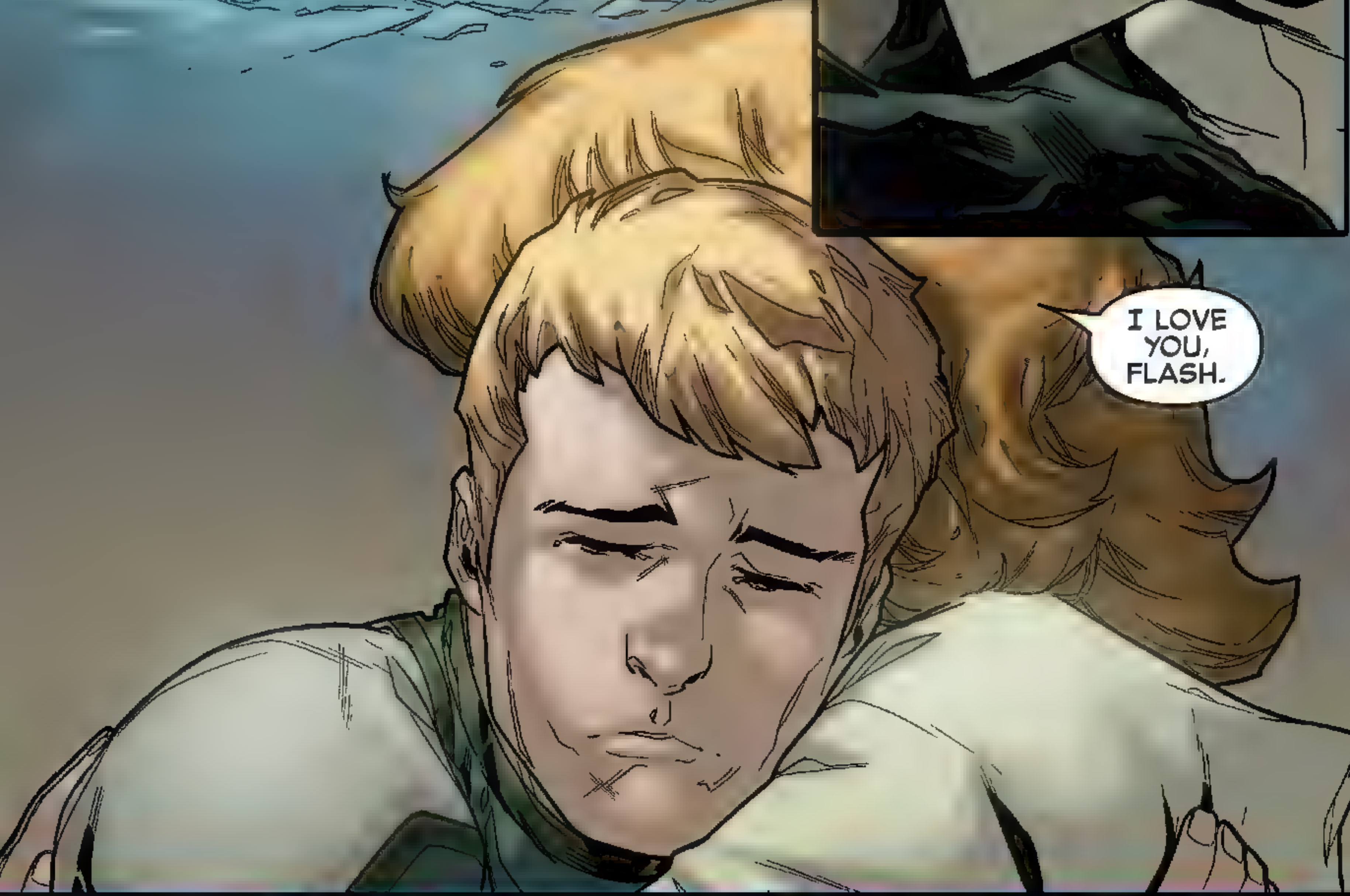
TARNA, I'M
IN POSITION.

Kkklick

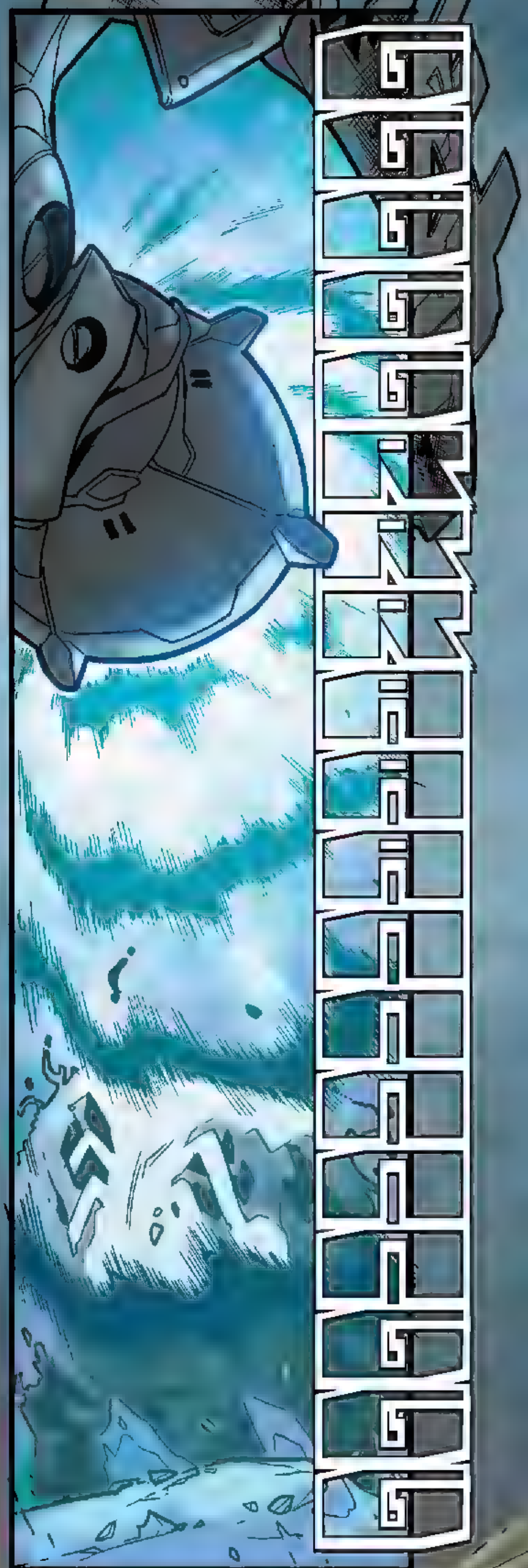
FIRE
803!



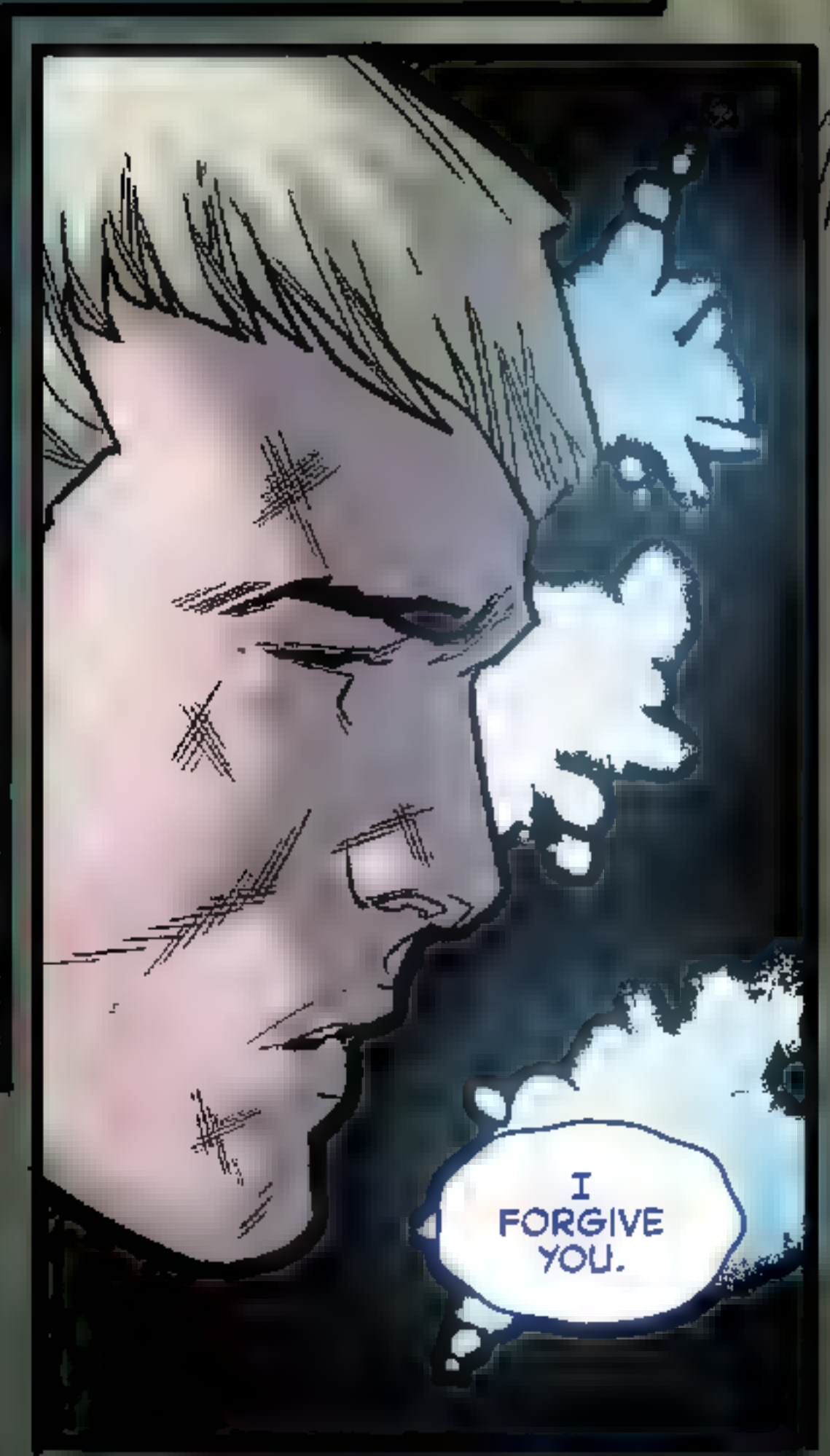
IT'S
OKAY,
BABY.
IT'S
NOT YOUR
FAULT.



I LOVE
YOU,
FLASH.

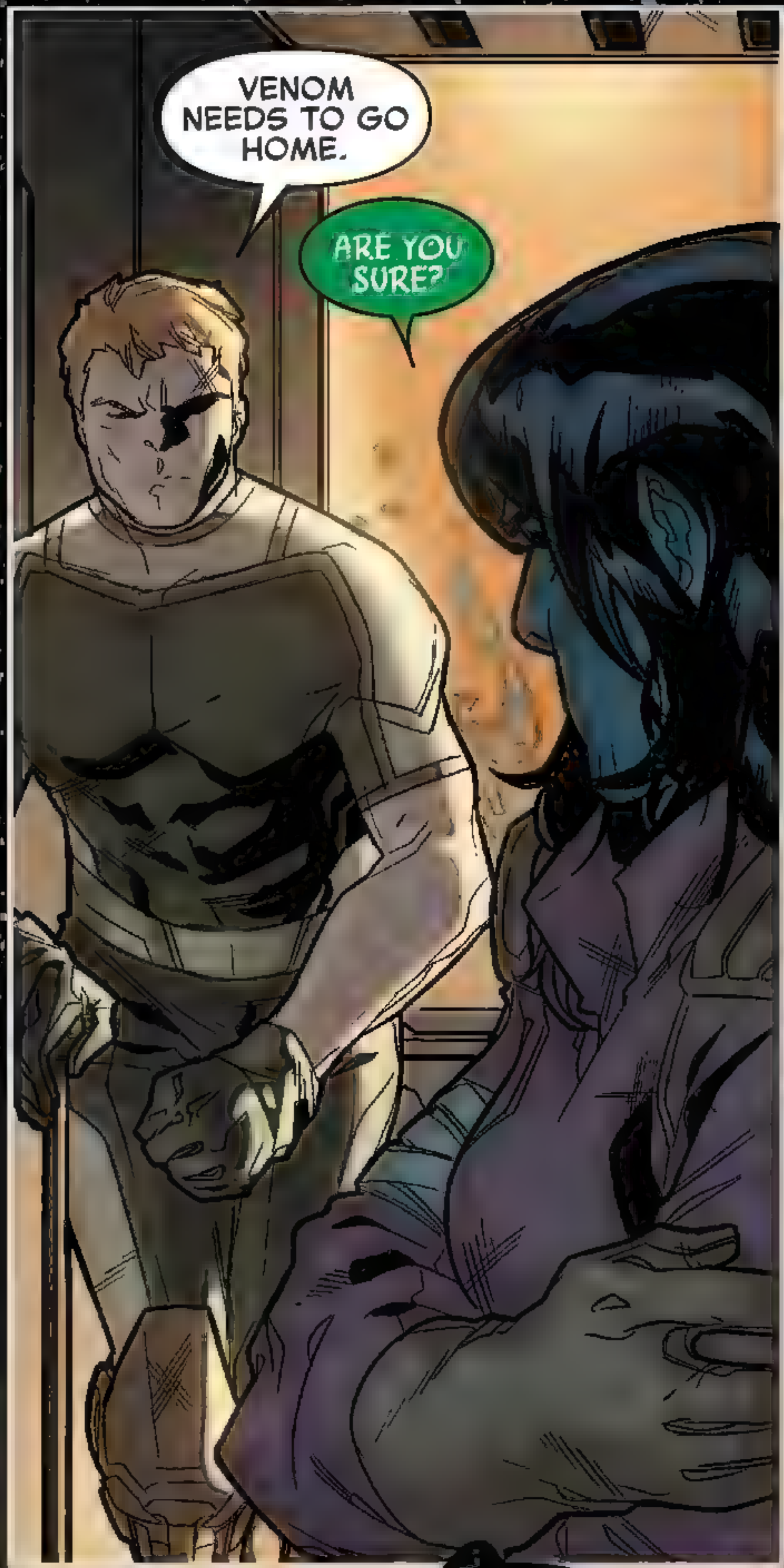


AND I
FORGIVE
YOU.



I
FORGIVE
YOU.

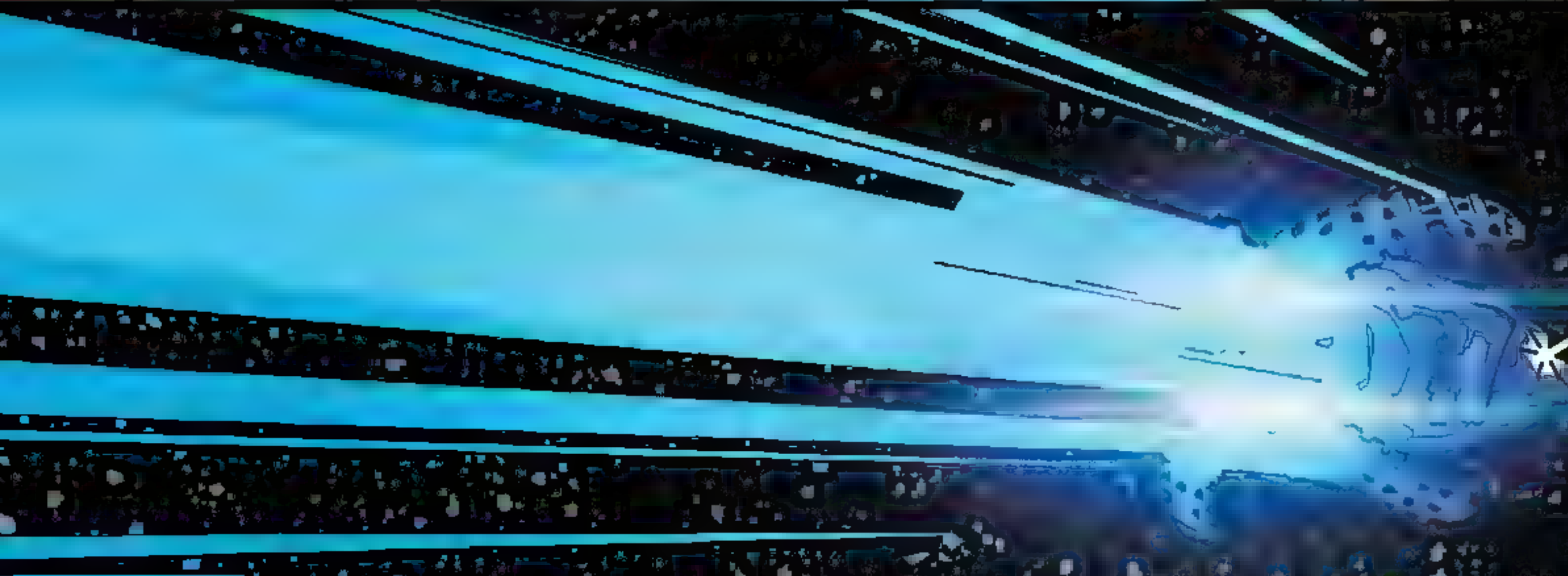




NO.
BUT THE
KLYNTAR MIGHT
BE THE ONLY
PEOPLE WHO CAN
SAVE VENOM
NOW.



I'LL PLOT A
COURSE.



BUT...I SAW
SOMETHING
INSIDE HIM...



EARTH.

"...A SMALL,
BRIGHT SPOT.
I THOUGHT MAYBE
IT WAS A WAY
OUT, BUT..."



**PHILADELPHIA.
NOW.**

"...WHEN
I RAN
TOWARD
IT..."



"...I COULD
NEVER
REACH IT."

"WHAT DO
YOU THINK
IT WAS?"



NO...
PLEASE...
STOP!

"I DON'T
KNOW,
TARNA."

"IT WAS
LIKE..."

"...SOMETHING
WAS MISSING."



TO BE CONTINUED!

**YOU WANT TO KNOW
WHAT HAPPENS *NEXT?***



DON'T MISS

VENOM
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